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Much Accomplished in Short Time

A Picture of General Convention

By the REV. EDGAR FRANK SALMON, D.D.



I have been invited to write for THE CHURCH NEWS my impressions of the General Convention. Of course, impressions vary greatly, and what impresses one does not always impress another. Looking back, one realizes what an enormous amount of work, and very important work, was done in a short space of nine and one-half days. The tenseness of the Convention was alleviated by lighter moments—luncheons and dinners, with their pleasant intercourse, but even in these lighter moments there were speeches listened to that were challenging as well as interesting and instructive. That so much was accomplished in so short a time was due to the fact that members of the Convention were keenly alive to their responsibility. Throughout Convention there was a full attendance of deputies; the speeches were keen and enthusiastic, with a high level of intellectual appeal, and without bitterness. Many matters came before the House unexpectedly, of graver concern to the welfare of the Church than at first appeared, on which one had to make up one's mind promptly which way to vote. In all things there was an evident desire to seek and to do God's will.

The election of the Hon. Justice Owen J. Roberts to the Chairmanship of the House of Deputies—the first time that this honor and responsibility have been given to a layman—was far more than justified by results. Justice Roberts was both efficient and fair. He has our deep gratitude.

It is interesting to note two remarkable coincidences—at the triennial meeting of the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada, being held at Winnipeg, at the same time as our General Convention, a layman was elected as prolocutor of the lower house for the first time in Anglican history; and also a woman was elected delegate to their synod for the first time. "Great minds think alike."

The election of Bishop Sherrill of Massachusetts to be Presiding Bishop was acclaimed with enthusiasm. His speech to the House was one of sincerity, vigor and of broad vision. He appealed to the Church to devote its strength to missionary endeavor, and to exercise its influence in matters of supreme moment.

The visit of His Grace, the Archbishop of Canterbury, was a delightful feature of the Convention. He

formally addressed the Convention once, and addressed numerous other audiences; as he himself said, "I seem to be always eating and speaking." His talks were instructive, penetrating in their vision, and statesmanlike, and they were seasoned with a pleasing and natural humor. His visit to us on this occasion has done much to emphasize the place of our Episcopal Church within the worldwide Anglican Communion.

Probably the matter that aroused the greatest public interest, both in Convention and in the Church at large, was the question of church unity. Seventy-five speeches were made in the House of Deputies on this question. The Convention accepted both the majority and the minority reports of the Commission but declined to act on either. The Commission on Approaches to Unity was continued, and was re-



THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES



RT. REV. HENRY KNOX SHERRILL.
Presiding Bishop-elect



HON. OWEN J. ROBERTS
President, House of Deputies

quested to "prepare a statement of faith and order in harmony with the Lambeth Quadrilateral . . . and to report to the next session of General Convention." Many of the deputies felt that action in accordance with the majority report would endanger our Historic Episcopate, and possibly the use of our Prayer Book. There is no doubt that those who favored the majority report felt that the Historic Episcopate and the Prayer Book were not in danger; indeed they categorically said so. But the point is, that many of the deputies felt that these things were endangered, and voted accordingly by a vote of almost two to one, the lay vote being in almost the same proportion as the clerical. This in itself is a remarkable witness on the part of laity and clergy to the solidarity of conviction regarding the essentials for which our Protestant Episcopal Church stands.

Speaking of missionary endeavor, the presence of missionary Bishops and workers gave us the privilege of learning at first hand of the tremendous opportunities before the Church at the present time. To give just one quotation, Bishop Huang, head of the new missionary district of Yun Kwei in China, spoke of the difficulties and the opportunities in his area—"the poorest section of China, financially, and consisting of 245,000 square miles, with 24,000,000 people. This area became a land of refuge for the refugees fleeing from the Japanese armies." He told of the progress being made with hos-

pitals, schools, and churches, and stated "education without religion has no foundation." He said the church buildings were in very dilapidated condition, and that he fell through the floor of one church, incurring injuries that kept him in a hospital for two months.

One of the important features of the Marriage Canon is its emphasis on the fact that Church legislation and Church rites are for Church people who definitely desire Christian marriage. There is the reiterated requirement that the Minister of the Church, before solemnizing any marriage, "shall have instructed the parties as to the nature of Holy Matrimony"; and further, the resolution, adopted unanimously by the House of Bishops and also by the House of Deputies, requires that the parties to the marriage shall sign a statement solemnly declaring that they hold marriage to be a lifelong union of husband and wife, as it is set forth in the Form of Solemnization of Matrimony in the Book of Common Prayer. To quote the statement further, "We believe it is for the purpose of mutual fellowship, encouragement and understanding, for the procreation (if it may be) of children, and their physical and spiritual nurture, for the safeguarding and benefit of society, and we do engage ourselves, so far as in us lies, to make our utmost effort to establish this relationship and to seek God's help thereto."

One further "impression" must

suffice. One is impressed with the value of having the two Houses—the House of Bishops and the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. Under this plan, any resolution proposed and approved by either House must be submitted to the other House for its concurrence before it becomes a law of the Church. This is a check on what might be the adoption of insufficiently considered recommendations, and a check on too hasty action. The consideration of a resolution by the other House often brings a different point of view to the proposed resolution, and ensures broad deliberation. We trust that our recommendations and actions merit the endorsement of the Church at large, and meet with the approval of Almighty God.

CONVENTION NOTES

Mrs. Charles H. Clark, of Calvary Church, Conshohocken, at the age of 92, recalls having attended the General Convention meeting in Philadelphia 63 years ago, and was very happy to be able to be present at one or two meetings of the 1946 Convention.

The Rev. John H. A. Bomberger worked hard with his amateur "movie" camera to make an extensive film of personalities at the General Convention.

An active delegate to the House of Deputies is Mr. Samuel F. Houston, from St. Martin-in-the-Fields, who introduced a resolution to the House which will honor for generations to come the memory of those who sacrificed their lives during the war.

Mr. Thomas B. K. Ringe, of Calvary Church, Germantown, was appointed to a valuable Committee on Bi-Racial Study for the purpose of developing plans to stimulate increased Negro participation in the program of the Church.

Archbishop Hardie, of the West Indies, was frequently mistaken for the Archbishop of Canterbury. Confusion arose in the similarity of their dress.

Major General Luther Miller, chief of Chaplains, commended highly the work of the 301 Episcopal Chaplains, and paid special tribute to the eleven Chaplains who gave their lives during the war.

The Rev. J. Gillespie Armstrong, rector of St. Mary's Church, Ard-

more, was nominated to be a trustee of the General Seminary until 1952.

The House of Deputies paid special tribute to the outstanding work of their esteemed secretary, the Rev. Franklin J. Clark, who is retiring. He was born in Philadelphia and has served for 27 years without missing a meeting of any committee to which he belonged during that time.

THE ARCHBISHOP AND THE MAYOR

In addition to his appearances before our Church organizations, the Archbishop of Canterbury made one address to Philadelphians in general. Taking advantage of the luncheon given at the Bellevue on September 11 by the Bishops and Standing Committee of the Diocese at which Mayor Samuel heartily welcomed him to the city, he spoke briefly about political and social conditions in his own country. Evidently, although a theologian, he is more concerned with mundane matters of human welfare than with delicate, dogmatic distinctions, for he was thoroughly at home discussing England's social and political problems. He is a fair-minded, good-humored and realistic liberal. In America, his advocacy of extensive government assistance in the fields of health, security and education and his declaration in favor of periodically adapting the old doctrine of *laissez faire* to changed conditions might even subject him to the charge of being a radical. The two countries differ in that respect.

Yet the Archbishop approaches every question—social, industrial and political—from the point of view of one who seeks to apply Christian doctrine to everyday life. He has the confidence and courage of a prophet who knows that in the teaching and spirit of Jesus can be found the only solution of the most perplexing problems of national and international relationships.

Britain is fortunate in having Dr. Fisher to represent her for a few weeks in America. Though unimpressive in appearance—he is a slight man of medium height—he is a forceful and impressive extemporaneous speaker with a clear, resonant voice and perfect naturalness in his delivery. Best of all he brings a message from God. Americans immediately like this humble, friendly, cheerful and unpretentious prelate.

Bishop Hart's Message



The meeting of the General Convention in Philadelphia has been a great blessing to the diocese. The work of all the committees under the general chairmanship of Dr. Thomas S. Gates was a fine illustration of harmonious, happy service. I have never known people to work so well together. Throughout the Convention visitor after visitor remarked on how kind and thoughtful everyone had been to them. I wish that I could thank everyone personally who helped in any way to make the Convention such a success, but, as this will be impossible, I hope you will take this article in THE CHURCH NEWS as a personal word of thanks from me.

It would be hard to point out all the high spots in the Convention. So many people commented on the fact that the Opening Communion Service at the Church of the Holy Trinity, the Opening Service at Convention Hall and the United Thank Offering Service at Convention Hall were the most orderly and reverent that they have seen at a General Convention. The test of good preparation for such large services is that there is little or no evidence of it while the service is taking place. With the experience of these three services behind us, there are several things that I would do differently if we were to have them again. We tried to take into consideration everything that might happen but, for example, we could not figure that three of the

bishops who were to take part in the United Thank Offering Service would check their vestments at Houston Hall on Tuesday and that they would find the check room not open Wednesday morning in time for them to get their vestments in order to assist in the service! In spite of these little mishaps, the numerous letters that have been received and the countless expressions by word of mouth indicate that the service was as reverently conducted as possible in such a public hall. The arrangement of the altar and chancel contributed largely to this happy result.

The Archbishop of Canterbury was delighted with the suggestion that he be nominated for the President of the United States in 1948, and certainly he shook hands with enough people at the opening reception to qualify him as a candidate! His graciousness and charm added much to the first week of the Convention and his address, particularly his address at the Church Congress dinner on Thursday evening, gave an indication of the profundity of his thinking. One of the high spots of the Convention for the House of Bishops was the morning spent at the Philadelphia Divinity School.

The general committee had thoughtfully arranged to serve the bishops their lunch on the lawn of the school. We could not have had a more perfect day. The spirit manifested throughout the election of Bishop Sherrill as Presiding Bishop and the three new missionary bishops was excellent. The bishops thoroughly enjoyed their lunch and being by themselves gave them an opportunity for a friendly visit in the beautiful surroundings of the Divinity School Close.

I again want to thank everyone in the diocese who helped to create the spirit of this Convention. I feel that the joy we found in working together to entertain this Convention will manifest itself in greater work within the diocese. I thank God and take courage as we face the future.

Oliver Hart

Woman's Auxiliary

MRS. OLIVER J. HART, Editor

President's Message

THE TRIENNIAL

It has been a thrilling experience! Seeing women from every corner of the world meeting and working together for the spread of the Kingdom gives one a very humble and hopeful feeling.

We are duly thankful that we were given the privilege of being a part of it.

Ours is a great responsibility (and we pray we will measure up) to put into effective action in the life of our Church the inspiration and knowledge we have gained.

First, it is our duty and pleasure to give to every parish and to every woman in the Diocese the report of the Convention and Triennial.

Second, to show how the program that has been planned can be integrated into the work and programs of the parishes.

Your delegates are ready to be called upon to serve you by speaking at meetings and conferences about plans for the year.

Let us hear from you.

MARGARET PACKARD.

Educational

DAY AND EVENING

Tuesday, October 8th, 1946

10:30 A. M.—Holy Trinity Church: Holy Communion.

11:30 A. M.—Holy Trinity Parish House: Meeting. Mrs. Robert Frazier, chairman; Mrs. George A. Trowbridge, study topic.

12:30 P. M.—Luncheon, 50¢. Reservations must be made at the Woman's Auxiliary Office by Oct. 5.

1:30 P. M.—Speaker: The Rt. Rev. J. I. Larned, D.D., Suffragan Bishop of Long Island.

2:15 to 3:15 P. M.—Conferences: Training for Leadership, Mrs. Packard; Missions—the Christian Imperative, Mrs. Wallace McClenahan; Christian Social Relations, Mrs. Geo. Trowbridge; Working Together, Mrs. U. Grant Beath.

EVENING MEETING

6:15 P. M.—Supper, \$1.00. Reservations must be made by Oct. 5.

7:15 P. M.—Speaker: The Rt. Rev. J. I. Larned, D.D.

8:00 to 9:00—Informal Group Conferences.

Dept. of Education

There will be classes for Leadership Training on Wednesdays, October 16, 23, 30, and November 6, at 1:45 P. M. in the Church House. Also on Tuesday evenings, at the School of Christian Education, a Woman's Auxiliary course will be provided for members of Evening Groups, on October 15, 22, 29 and November 5, 12, and 19.

The Altar Guild

The Annual Quiet Evening of the Altar Guild of the Diocese will take place on Wednesday evening, October 9, at St. Clement's Church, 20th and Cherry Streets.

The Rev. William J. Alberts, rector of Christ Church, Media, will conduct the Evening. The first meditation will be at 5:30, a box supper at 6:30, the second meditation at 7:15 and the third meditation at 8:15.

All women interested in Altar Guild work are cordially invited to attend.

Please send your acceptance to our Corresponding Secretary, Miss Alma Cope, c/o Church House, 202 S. 19th Street, not later than October 7.

a cathedral and was completely reverent. The Presiding Bishop celebrated, assisted by our own two Bishops and forty-eight missionary bishops. An offering from the women of the church, the largest in our history, of \$1,631,576.21, with Pennsylvania in the far lead with \$106,729.96, made the "little blue box" come alive. Think how that could be multiplied if every woman in our communion shared in it! We underestimate our power.

2. The witness of "new" Christians.

From all over the world we heard the familiar story and watched it take on new light as it came from those who had not inherited it. Bishop Huang of Kunming, China. Bishop Salinas of Mexico, Mrs. Corban, the woman delegate from Liberia, T. Z. Koo and Mme. Y. Y. Tsu took us back to the first century when the message was new and fresh and transforming. These people are different, not because of different cultural backgrounds, but because of the strong faith in them. It made us feel jaded and at the same time inspired to recapture the power of Christ's message.

3. The international scope of Christianity.

Archbishop Geoffrey Fisher, Archbishop Hardie of the West Indies, Missionary Bishops from Liberia, the Philippines and others gave us messages from Christian bodies as far flung as our two fronts of war. Mrs. Harper Sibley gave us a description of the work of the United Council for Church Women, of which we are a part. We recommend that you study those items of the United Thank Offering budget such as Christian Colleges in China, work among the sharecroppers of Arkansas, etc., in which we share with twenty-three denominational groups. We may not be ready to unite theologically with any one group, but at least we serve with all groups. One cannot continue to be merely an Episcopalian in the face of some of the world's needs.

4. Our Church women at work in the world.

With the presentation on the platform of some fifty women missionaries, we saw living evidences of our Church reaching out into the world. They are our representatives and, from the few who spoke, we were deeply aware of the shining of the inner light which Bishop Dun

Woman's Auxiliary Triennial

Theme: "Strength to Build"

By MRS. GEORGE A. TROWBRIDGE

Undergirding the whole Triennial were the four meditations of Bishop Dun which reiterated the Faith upon which to build a "Christian Home," a "Christian World," and to fulfill the "World Mission of the Church."

Seven impressions stand out and are sketched briefly below.

1. The thrill of corporate and mass worship.

Thirteen thousand people attended the colorful opening service of worship in Convention Hall. Four thousand women partook of the Holy Communion at the great United Thank Offering service in the same hall. It looked almost like

begged us to nourish. They have been helping to make "One World" long before Mr. Wilkie coined that popular phrase. We recognized them as our United Thank Offering at work.

5. *The world's women at work in our Church.*

During the twentieth century women have been given positions of leadership in many fields of public life. We are used to women doing church work in the world, but it is news when these new women of the world witness for the church. The "lady from Missouri," Mrs. Randolph Dyer, the first woman deputy to General Convention, falls into this category, but more particularly Mrs. W. P. Hobby, former head of the WACs, lawyer, and editor of a large newspaper. She served faithfully throughout the Triennial as our parliamentarian. Her clear mind unravelled many difficult points of order, but her speech to the House on the last day was electrifying. For some of us, it was the most stirring witness of the Triennial. "If the Church is to remain truly free, it cannot be separated from social, political and economic things. Membership in the church is too anonymous. For me, it is a constant personal crusade and must be expressed through me at all times. I must take the church into the world."

"Christian Responsibility in a World Community" was the theme presented by another outstanding woman of the world, Mme. Frances Perkins, former Secretary of Labor. Everything she said was an extension of her Christian convictions. "We must be bound to oath of intercession for a Christian community. Through prayer and sacraments, we must cooperate with all others to battle for the Good Society."

6. *Christian mind is liberal.*

The body of women assembled passed many resolutions and all so in line with the great commandment of Brotherhood that we wondered at first if the implications of these resolutions were fully understood. Several times, however, they were proved so to be by the vetoing of the few reactionary proposals set forth by people who are afraid of the Church taking a strong stand. Of the 500-odd women who were there, if there were any fascists hiding under the cloak of organized



BISHOPS AT U. T. O. COMMUNION SERVICE

religion, they were neither a voice nor a vote. A very careful study should be made of the changes in the by-laws which were accepted and now offer minority representation to dioceses having certain numerical strength in a different racial group. This resolution will mean that at the 1949 Triennial, Indian, Negro and possibly Japanese-American women may be accredited delegates representing minority groups. It is our duty to help encourage qualified representation from these groups. Our Study Theme for the year on "Christian and Race" should help our Church in this endeavor to live more nearly as we pray.

7. *Fellowship of individuals.*

As the ten days progressed, in Section Conferences and officers' meetings, individuals emerged from the conglomerate mass. We talked together, compared notes and found kindred spirits. In other words, the Convention eventually got on the level of personal relationships, and

we realized afresh that Christianity is first of all personal. Accents and geographic distances faded away and friendships in Christ were made.

COMMITMENTS OF THE TRIENNIAL

1. We are auxiliary to the whole Church and as such endorsed the increased Missionary Budget passed by General Convention of \$3,263,769.00. This means you and me. It is an increase of at least one-fifth and as such will require that much more energy on your part. The opportunities offered at this tragic moment in history demand an advance, and we will respond.

2. National Council has asked our Church (you and me) for one million a year for the next three years for World Relief. We in Pennsylvania are ready for this as witnessed by the fine response to our Material Aid program. We will not only continue this, but make it our personal responsibility that the post-war leth

argy for the suffering peoples of the world does not enter our Church. The new organization uniting all agencies in Europe and Asia is *Church World Service*. New Windsor, Md., is the material end of this for us, and the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief is where our monies go. This is a "must." We are committed to it. If we take care of merely our own Church, and Christianity at large fails, we will have no Church. Watch for Diocesan plans for *Church World Service*.

3. We have committed you to social action on World Order, Race Relations, Amnesty for Conscientious Objectors, Counselling for Marriage, Training of Youth, Legislation As an Instrument for Church

THANKS

Deep and heartfelt thanks go out from the President, the Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary to every member of every committee for the Triennial and General Convention. We hear nothing but praise for the untiring work that has been done by all of you. We are proud of you and your work, and we hope that you have received the joy that comes with a job well done.

People, etc., which you should investigate. You can't change our commitments, but by studying them you may change your ideas of Christian Society.

TRIENNIAL PROGRAM

We are your bridge between the leadership of our National Executive Board and National Council and the woman in the last pew. Information will seep down to you through literature and the fallibility of your delegates. The framework of the Program is ready for you. You will require all your creative imagination to bring it alive. It may seem like words, words. You must make it so live that the indifferent, the lukewarm and the diehards are startled alive by it. You can pick from it much to chew on, but it will be no stronger than your interpretation of it in parish groups. May God grant that we who were your delegates and were privileged to be at the Triennial, may be able to share to our utmost in helping to build "the City that has stood for too long a dream."

National Youth Convention

The first National Youth Convention of our Church has just ended—and we have every reason to be proud of our young people. Their knowledge of, and interest in, the work of the Church, the affairs of the nation and the world, and their sense of responsibility in each, was amazing. They conducted their business sessions like veterans. Betty Street, of Cincinnati, Chairman of the National Youth Commission, presided, and Priscilla Hannah, of Los Angeles, served as Secretary.

Elected by the Convention to serve on the National Youth Commission to assist in carrying out the ideas of the Convention were: John Booty, Detroit, Michigan; Eleanor Anderson, Springfield, Massachusetts; Robert Larkin, Upland, California; Anne Stoney, Charleston, South Carolina.

Resolutions passed covered every phase of work and study for Christian Youth today. Among the resolutions passed were: to study the heritage of the Russian people and the activity of Christian Churches in that country; cooperate with youth of Presbyterian and other Churches, in the interest of better mutual understanding; continue support of Church's overseas program of reconstruction and advance; inform themselves of the present trend in interracial attitudes and relations, and seek a Christian solution through study, prayer, and action; endorsed World Conference of Christian Youth to be held in Oslo; sent message of greeting and good will to the Christian Youth of Japan, together with the United Youth Offering; continued support of World Council of Churches and the United Nations; initiate family prayers in their homes.

The Convention, with representatives present from eighty-five dioceses as well as from Alaska, Puerto Rico, Mexico, Liberia and Hawaii, officially opened Saturday morning with Corporate Communion, and breakfast at St. Mary's Church, Hamilton Village. Bishop Carpenter, Chairman of the National Youth Division, was the Celebrant. The delegates, between business sessions on Saturday, visited the House of Bishops, House of Deputies and the Woman's Auxiliary.

At Saturday night's banquet given

for delegates, James McClain, formerly Dr. I. Q. of radio fame, but now a student at Seabury-Western Theological School, served as toastmaster. A delegation of nineteen young persons from Hawaii presented a program of songs and dances illustrating the racial inclusiveness of the Episcopal Church. Young people of Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino and native Hawaiian backgrounds, some of whom were recent converts to Christianity, took part in the program. At the beginning of their program with appropriate song and dance, leis were placed around the necks of those sitting at the guest table—this symbolizing their love and affection for their fellow Churchmen.

A mass meeting open to the general public followed the banquet on Saturday night. Speakers were Bishop Harry Kennedy, of Honolulu, who presented the Christian solution for the race problem as it is seen in the life of the Church in Hawaii, and the Rev. William Crittenden, Executive Secretary of the Division of Youth, who spoke of the significance of young people's work in the Church and presented the major emphases of the Youth Program. The Hawaiian delegation repeated its program for the benefit of the public following the mass meeting. After the mass meeting all the young people returned to the Christian Association for the dance. The young people of this diocese were hosts to the delegates at "Open House" Friday evening, and at the dance Saturday night.

Bishop Hart was celebrant at the Corporate Communion on Sunday. This service was held at the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany and they were host to the delegates at breakfast. The attendance of the Corporate Communion services was, as far as it was possible to judge, perfect.

And now to say something about the young people of our diocese. They did a splendid job in the planning and carrying through of the details for this Convention. Under the very capable chairmanship of Miss Julia E. Hill and her sub-chairmen, Miss Margaret Birkhead, Miss Isabella Peoples, Miss Eleanor Shoemaker, Mr. Percy Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shotwell, Miss Grace Monroe, Mr. Rich-

ard Frazier, Mr. Charles Urban, Mr. David Hilsee, the Rev. William D. Turner, the Rev. John Van der Horst, Mr. Leonard Rasmusson, Jr., Miss Mildred Mathers, Mr. Sam Wilmot, Mr. James Lyman and Mr. Frank Baylor, about a hundred young people met all through the late winter and spring months to plan for this Convention, and the result brought many expressions of praise and appreciation from the Convention young people and their advisers. Also, our thanks go to all those who so willingly and graciously provided the hospitality for our visitors.

Bishops at Calvary Church

Many Bishops in attendance at General Convention were present at the 100th Anniversary of Calvary Church, 41st and Brown Streets, which was built as a memorial to Bishop White. The re-consecration of the Church was held in the presence of the visiting Bishops at 7:30 P. M. on September 15.

Every Member Canvass

Through the teaching program of the Reconstruction and Advance Fund, Church people have become more fully aware of their share in a true world fellowship. These principles must be carried forward through a more thorough Every Member Canvass as a continuing means by which all our people may become good stewards of God's worldly goods. The suggested dates for the Canvass this year are November 10 to December 8. Order forms are provided in the back of "Parish Helps" for pledge cards and other materials, which should be ordered now. Now is the time to plan and organize the Every Member Canvass as a season of worship, study and work in every parish and mission. It can be an experience just as deep and rich as we are willing to make it. Often it is merely a campaign for funds to pay the fuel bill, the rector's salary, and the missionary apportionment. It can be made to set the tone of the parish life and enlist the active participation of many persons who otherwise would find no outlet for their effective work for the Church.

The Rev. J. Walter Edwards, St. Philip's Church, 1925 Lombard Street, during his vacation in August, visited the monastery of the Cowley Fathers, Cambridge, Mass.

Department of Christian Education

Christmas Gifts for the Philippines

This diocese has pledged 1000 gifts for our devastated missions in the Philippines. From Bishop Wilner has come an appeal for badly needed clothing, school supplies, etc. No luxuries—just necessities! 1000 gifts pledged—and to fulfill that pledge we need 600 more gifts. Telephone today—Mrs. Lorin Blodget—GE 8-8117, that you will help to carry a message of love and good will to the children of the Philippines.

CHURCH SCHOOL INSTITUTE

76th Annual Church School Institute, Monday, October 7, Christian Association, 3601 Locust Street.

Two very important subjects are to be high-lighted at the Institute this year. The exhibit will be chiefly on visual aids in religious education. The display will include the newest available motion picture projectors, silent and sound, slide projectors for slides and slide strips, screens, etc. There will be demonstrations and information concerning sources of supply for equipment and films. This will be a real help for all the parishes who are now, and will be this winter, contemplating the use of films and slides in their religious education program.

The Rev. Daniel A. McGregor, of our National Division of Christian Education, will speak at supper on "General Convention and Our Church's Program of Christian Education" and the departmental groups will discuss, under very able leaders, the same subject as it relates to their own particular age groups.

Be sure to make your supper reservations early—don't wait until the last day—September 30—there may not be any left by then.

The fall semester of the School of Christian Education begins Tuesday, October 15, and continues for six consecutive Tuesday evenings. The theme is "This Redeeming Fellowship," and through the courses offered there is the opportunity to study the Fellowship, examining the sources of its life in the Bible and in Christian History. Also offered are courses which will help individual

Christians and groups to be more effective in extending the Fellowship into every area of modern life.

Among the leaders will be: The Rev. J. Clemens Kolb, S.T.D., the Rev. William H. Dunphy, Ph.D., the Rev. E. Felix Kloman, S.T.D., the Rev. Louis A. Haselmayer, Jr., Ph.D., the Rev. E. Frank Salmon, D.D., and Miss Selinda McCaulley, Ph.D.

Dr. McCaulley, who is a well known psychologist and educator, will instruct the class for teachers of children under twelve. Those rectors who attended the Clergy Conference last spring and found the sessions conducted by the Rev. Matthew Warren to be of such great value, will undoubtedly feel this is a "must" course for their teachers.

Youth Sunday

October 20 is Youth Sunday, the starting point of the year's youth activity in the parish. Its purpose is to draw together all young people in the Church in a common act of worship. Not only does it serve as a means of mobilizing youth; but is also a striking affirmation of the faith on the part of young people, which helps to enlist the interest of adults in integrating youth work into the general parish program. At this service the United Youth Offering is also presented. The Youth Convention in Philadelphia in September decided that this offering should be used for the training of youth leaders in Japan. An order form is provided in the back of "Parish Helps" for offering envelopes and study material prepared by the National Youth Commission, composed of representative young people from each Province of the Church.

The boys of the Model and Hobby Club of All Saints' Church, Crescentville, made a kneeling stool for the use of the Rector in the Church.

At St. James Church, Prospect Park, choir prizes for the year were awarded to Robert Calder, Clement Calder, George Calder, Claire Boakes, Jean Ackroyd, and Norma Jean Davis.

At Epiphany Church, Sherwood, the choir awards were given to Christopher Bassill, Charles Barksdale, and Dwight Isacksen.

Chaplain Klein in Holy Land

The Rev. Walter C. Klein, former Rector of St. Barnabas Church, Haddington, and during the war a Chaplain in the U. S. N., has been appointed as the American Church representative on the staff of St. George's Cathedral in Jerusalem. He will have the pastoral care of the American colony in the Holy City, and keep our Church in touch with the Anglican, Orthodox, and the so-called "separated churches" of the East.

Chaplain Coldren to Teach

The Rev. Charles M. Coldren, M.A., Th.M., who served for three years as Navy Chaplain, has accepted a position as Instructor at the Philadelphia Divinity School. He is a graduate of Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., and has studied theology at the Lancaster Theological Seminary, Crozer Theological Seminary and the Philadelphia Divinity School. He recently received his M.A. degree in Philosophy at the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Coldren will teach in the field of dogmatic theology and ethics. Before entering the Naval Service he was Rector of St. Nathanael's Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

Chaplain Colony Commended

The Rev. David Colony, Chaplain, U.S.A., former Rector of St. Luke's Church, Kensington, was awarded the Army Commendation Ribbon, accompanied by the following citation: "For especially commendatory service from April, 1943, to September, 1945, as Post Chaplain, Los Angeles Port of Embarkation. His tireless application to duty, sincerity and intense interest were major contributions to the exceedingly high morale of that port, reflecting great credit upon himself and the military service."

Chaplain Hall Commended

Lieutenant Colonel Percy G. Hall, Chaplain, U.S.A., former Rector of St. Martin's Church, Oak Lane, was awarded the Army Commendation Ribbon, accompanied by the following citation:

"For outstanding meritorious service during the period 15 May 1942 to 10 March 1943. He performed untiringly and efficiently the duties of Division Chaplain, 79th Infantry Division. In addition thereto he also acted as coordinator of housing

facilities in the vicinity of Camp Pickett, Virginia, thereby alleviating to a great extent the housing problems of the officers and men. His devotion to duty and sound judgment contributed greatly to the welfare of the officers and men of the 79th Infantry Division."

Convocation Meetings

The fall meetings of the several Convocations will be held as follows: Chester, St. David's Church, Radnor, October 22, 10 A. M.; Women, St. John's Church, Lansdowne, October 17, 10 A. M.; Norristown, October 24, 4 P. M. (place to be announced); Germantown, October 15, St. Mark's Church, Frankford, at 5:30 P. M.; North Philadelphia, October 8, 5 P. M., Church of St. James-the-Less (women at 3:30 P. M.); South Philadelphia, October 22, 4:15 P. M., St. Mark's Church (women at 3:30 P. M.); West Philadelphia, October 17, 5 P. M., Calvary Church (women at 4:30 P. M.).

Gifts and Memorials

Pulpit and lectern lights have been given to All Saints' Church, Crescentville, by the Roselyn Street Community Association, in memory of Jack Broadbent, who died in war service.

A hymn board has been dedicated at St. James Church, Kingsessing, in memory of Edward P. Wise, a former communicant of the parish.

The "California Bell," the 44th in the carillon at the Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge, was dedicated on Sunday, June 9.

A stained glass window, depicting the 23rd Psalm, was dedicated at the Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Chestnut Hill, on January 29, in memory of John Brook Lear, a former vestryman of the parish.

Two silver cruets for the altar have been given to Zion Church, Logan, in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Sammis.

A set of altar and clergy books for use in St. James Church, Prospect Park, have been given in memory of E. Maude Gould.

On May 20 a Gold Star Service Flag and a Book of Memory were dedicated at a memorial service for merchant seamen in the Chapel of the Redeemer, Seamen's Church Institute. On the same day four bedrooms were dedicated as a war memorial for seamen from the area of the Port of Philadelphia lost at sea due to enemy action.

Girls' Friendly Events

Such important events as the National Council Meeting this past summer, and the coming of General Convention within our very gates, have pushed aside early planning of the 1946-47 diocesan program, but it will soon be ready for announcement. Some dates, however, can be given:

October 16—Executive Committee.

October 19—Card Party for benefit of Holiday House.

October 30—Council Meeting.

October 27 to November 3—G. F. S. Week, nation-wide.

The Card Party and Fashion Show will be held October 19, at 1:30 P. M. in the Strawbridge & Clothier Exhibition Salon; tickets, including tax, 74 cents, and all are welcome.

G. F. S. Week marks a nation-wide effort to present the plans of the society to the Church, and to raise a general sum of \$20,000 for the work of the National Society—the one appeal for funds to be made during the year. Each branch will make its offering in its own way, and sums raised will cover dues and other money gifts hitherto made, except the Mission Object.

The Society was honored by the Woman's Auxiliary, in being asked to provide enough girls to take up the offering at the United Thank Offering Service. It was a marvelous experience for these young Churchwomen—an experience for which they are grateful. Members of the Pennsylvania branches also acted as registrars and attendants at information desks in the Benjamin Franklin Hotel during the Brotherhood of St. Andrew Convention.

Mrs. Malcolm E. Peabody was elected National President, G. F. S., at the recent Council Meeting, to the joy of all who know her. It almost seems as though this high office had come to our own diocese, so well loved and remembered is this gracious lady as leader of St. Paul's branch, Chestnut Hill, and Vice-president of the Germantown District. Our own Diocesan President, Mrs. Edmund B. Tood, was, at the same time, elected Vice-president for Province III—a position of responsibility to which she will bring gifts of leadership and personality. The new year of opportunity and work opens with shining promise, indeed.

IN GOD'S KEEPING

The Rev. Walter Cresson Pugh, D.D., who died June 7 at his summer home in Pigeon Cove, Mass., had been for several years chairman of the Board of Examining Chaplains of the Diocese. He had also been chairman of the Committee on Charters of the Diocesan Convention. Ordained by Bishop Whitaker in 1907, he spent all of his ministry in this Diocese, except for seven years, when he was Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Sunbury, Pa. It was while he was in his office in the Church House, on January 21, that he was stricken with the illness from which he failed to recover. Taken to the Episcopal Hospital, he remained there fourteen weeks. He then spent three weeks in Atlantic City, one week at his home in Yardley, and two weeks at Pigeon Cove. Bishop Hart conducted the burial service on June 12 at St. Andrew's Church, Yardley, assisted by Bishop Remington, Dr. Percy R. Stockman, and the Rev. William D. Gentleman, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Louisville, Ky., son-in-law of Dr. Pugh. Interment was in the church yard of St. David's Church, Radnor. He is survived by his widow, the former Evaline Day Heritage; his son, Cresson Pugh, of New York City; and two daughters: Mrs. William B. Gentleman, of Louisville, Ky.; and Mrs. Glen H. Morrison, of Yardley, Pa.

For 27 years the Rev. William Thomas Metz was in charge of St. Gabriel's Church, Front Street and Roosevelt Boulevard. He died at the Episcopal Hospital on August 10, and was buried from St. Gabriel's on August 14. Rev. James M. Niblo conducted the requiem mass, and Bishop Hart read the burial service. Interment was in St. James-the-Less Church Yard. Born and educated in Philadelphia, he graduated from the Philadelphia Divinity School in 1914; ordained Deacon by Bishop Rhinelander, Priested by Bishop Biller; for two years he was a missionary in South Dakota, returning to this Diocese as assistant at All Saints' Church, Torresdale, with work at the Chapel of the Redeemer and King Library at Andalusia. In 1919 he was appointed Priest-in-charge of St. Gabriel's, supervised the construction of the buildings there, and developed the Mission into an independent parish. It is his monument.

His only survivor is his widow, Jessie May (Pallatt) Metz. He was 59 years of age.

The Rev. Edward Miller Jefferys died on August 27 at the age of 81. For 33 years he was a member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and for 13 years its President. He was born and educated in Philadelphia, ordained in 1889, began his ministry as curate of St. Peter's Church. The next 17 years of his ministry took him to Detroit, Doylestown, and Cumberland, Md. In 1906 he returned as Rector of St. Peter's Church, served in that capacity for 31 years, and retired in 1937. He served as an army chaplain in the first World War, was a member of the Board of Council of the City Mission, Trustee of the Episcopal Hospital, warden, chaplain and instructor of the Church Training and Deaconess House. Burial service was held at St. Peter's Church on August 30, conducted by Bishop Hart and the Rev. Frederick Blatz, Rector, with interment in the Church Yard.

The Rev. Jacob Frederick Weinmann, a retired priest of the Diocese, died on September 7 in the Episcopal Hospital at the age of 72. He was ordained in 1901 after having served some time as a Reformed Episcopal Minister. After his ordination, he served at St. Luke's Church and St. Nathaniel's Church, both in Kensington, and at Calvary Church, Rockdale. In 1918 he joined the staff of the City Mission, retiring from that work in 1933. The funeral service was conducted by Bishop Hart and the Chaplain of the Episcopal Hospital on September 10. Interment was in Fernwood Cemetery.

Mr. Albert F. Pearson, business manager of the Seamen's Church Institute, died on April 23, and was buried from St. Mary's Church, Hamilton Village, in which parish he was an active member of the Vestry.

Mr. James C. Sands, for many years Accounting Warden of St. Stephen's Church, Bridesburg, died July 1, and was buried from St. Mark's Church, Frankford, on July 5.

Mrs. W. Herbert Burke, widow of the founder of the Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge, died on July 8, and was buried in the cemetery of the Chapel on July 10. Since the death of her husband in

1933, she had been curator of the historical museum connected with the Chapel.

Mr. Irving C. Hancock, who died July 10 after an automobile accident, was buried from the Church of the Saviour, West Philadelphia, on July 13, where he had been organist since 1922.

Mr. Jacob Elm, who died June 5, had the distinction of having been the first boy soloist in the choir of St. Simeon's Church, 9th Street and Lehigh Avenue. He was one of the few remaining persons who recalled the building of the Church more than sixty years ago.

Mr. Edward I. Bacon, Senior Warden of the Church of Our Saviour, Jenkintown, former vice president of the Philadelphia *Inquirer*, died on July 29 at Beach Haven, N. J. He was buried from the Church on August 1.

CLERICAL CHANGES

Rev. George E. Boswell, Rector of St. James Church, Bristol, has been appointed Chaplain of the Keene Home, Bristol.

Rev. William B. Schmidgall is resigning as assistant of St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, as of July 25, in order to accept a call to take up rural work in the Diocese of Bethlehem, with headquarters at St. Peter's Church, Tunkhannock, Pa.

The Rev. David Colony, formerly Rector of St. Luke's Church, Kensington, and Chaplain, U.S.A., has been transferred to the Diocese of Louisiana, where he has become Rector of St. Martin's Church, Metairie. His address is Box 9021, Metairie, New Orleans 20, Louisiana.

The Rev. Stanley V. Wilcox, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chester, has been appointed Vicar of St. George's Church, Ardmore, effective October 1.

The Rev. Albert E. Wilcox, formerly Rector of Holy Comforter, Aronimink, on September 1 became Rector of St. Mark's Honeybrook.

Rev. Peter C. Van der Hiel, Jr., has resigned as Rector of St. James Church, Downingtown, to become Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chester, effective October 1.

The Rev. Carl J. Webb has resigned as Assistant at Christ Church. On September 1 he took up work at Christ Church, Middletown, and the Church of the Epiphany, Durham, Conn.

The Rev. J. Lyon Hatfield became Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Bridesburg, on September 8. He was formerly Rector of the Church of the Holy Cross, Utica, New York.

The Rev. Peter Mann Sturtevant became Associate Rector of Christ Church, 2nd and Market Streets, in September. He was recently discharged from the Navy after two years service as Chaplain. Previous to his Naval service, he had been Chaplain at Bowdoin and Amherst Colleges.

In the Diocese

HENRY STUART PAYNTER, Editor

Mrs. John E. Hill, wife of the Rector of All Saints' Church, 11th and Snyder Avenue, and a member of the National Council, was on the faculty of the Wellesley Conference, giving a course on "Women in the Life of the Church."

The Southern Churchman has been printing a series of articles on the Book of Judges by the Rev. John K. Shryock, Dean of the Convocation of North Philadelphia. The material had been used by Dr. Shryock in his radio broadcasts.

Bishop Hart conducted a Laymen's Conference June 22-23 for the Diocese of Connecticut, at Trinity College, Hartford, on "The Layman and His Church."

The 100th Anniversary of the Church of St. James the Less was held on May 5, when Bishop Hart preached the sermon. A booklet was issued containing illustrations and letters from some fifty former parishioners, expressing love and devotion for the parish.

Mr. John P. Noll has served as Accounting Warden of St. James Church, Downingtown, for twenty-seven years. He also was superintendent of the Sunday School for thirty-one years.

In the midst of the hottest weather this summer, Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown, told its people about plans for a new heating system which must be installed for use next winter. An appeal was made for a "summer paper offering." Business reply envelopes were enclosed. The response began at once, with substantial checks, bank notes, and words of appreciation and gratitude for what the Church means to its people.

The organ installed in St. Clement's Church in 1914 is being thoroughly renovated and modernized, with a new console included. The work is planned in such a way that the organ may be used for Sunday services during the period of several months involved in the process.

Friday, November 1, has been designated as World Community Day by the United Council of Church Women. A special worship

service, "We, the People," has been prepared, and may be procured at the office of the Council, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

Bishop Hart has appointed Mr. Wayne Hughes to represent the Diocese in the Lord's Day Alliance. Sunday, October 27, has been designated as a date to help the people understand that Sunday is the day on which our Lord rose from the dead, and urge that their place on that day is in Church. Families are to be urged to worship together in Church.

Members of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew of St. Thomas' Church, Whitmarsh, took charge of some of the services in nearby parishes and missions during the past summer. About twenty laymen participated, usually going out two by two to share each service.

"The Weekly Episcopal News" from the Church of the Redeemer, Springfield, says: "Remember these two things about giving to the Church. First, it depends upon how much you care. Second, it depends on how well you plan. Figure out the largest amount you can possibly promise to give; then put the money aside before you spend it for something else."

On Thursday evenings during the summer, "Garden Sings" were conducted at Christ Church, 2nd and Market Streets. Free refreshments were served, and service men and women were especially welcome.

The Rev. J. Clemens Kolb, Chaplain at the University of Pennsylvania, was one of the speakers at a conference held at the College of Preachers in Washington, for veterans who had signified their interest in studying for the Ministry.

Rev. William T. Metz was instituted as Rector of St. Gabriel's Church, Roosevelt Boulevard and Front Street, on June 9, by Bishop Hart. He had been Vicar there since 1919, built up the work, and brought the mission to the status of a parish.

Bishop Hart rode in a red police car with the accumulation of thousands of food coupons from the par-

ishes and missions of the Diocese to present them to the mayor of Philadelphia in his office at City Hall.

There will be a mission at St. Augustine's Church, Norristown, from November 24 to December 1, conducted by the Rev. Robert Scott Harris, of the Church of the Annunciation, Philadelphia.

The fall retreat of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held at St. Margaret's House, October 28, at 5:30 P. M., to Wednesday, October 30, at 10 A. M. The conductor will be the Rev. William I. Edwards, Rector of St. George's Church, West Philadelphia.

The Philadelphia Business Almanac says: "The Diocese of Pennsylvania, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, publishes THE CHURCH NEWS, a monthly, with the Rev. Albert O. Judd as Editor-in-Chief. The issue we have here before us is Vol. 35, No. 7. Looks like this publication is here to stay."

A Children's Carnival was staged on a Saturday afternoon at St. James Church, Downingtown, attended by 200 children. Pony cart rides and movies geared to child interest were features of the entertainment.

Rev. George McKinley conducted a memorial service for the local Lions' Club in the Church of the Ascension, Parkesburg.

Mr. Wesley M. Heilman, a member of the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, served as general chairman of 1946 campaign for the Salvation Army maintenance fund in the Philadelphia area.

Rev. Peter C. Van der Hiel, Rector of St. James Church, Downingtown, was superintendent of a community Vacation Bible School.

At a recent meeting of St. Mary's Guild, of Ascension Mission, Parkesburg, the Vicar, Rev. George McKinley, and his wife were presented with a gift on the 20th anniversary of their wedding.

Rev. James M. Collins, Superintendent of the City Mission, will teach a course on "The Church Promoting Christian Family Life" in the Main Line School of Christian Workers, to be held in Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, beginning October 8, and continuing for six consecutive Tuesday evenings.

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LITTLE MAN, WHAT NOW

General Convention is over. The routine of ordinary church life stretches on ahead of each person and parish into the unseen future. In many ways the decisions arrived at by the Bishops and Deputies in the Convention are of secondary importance. Their importance really springs from two other factors: the life of the individual churchman and parish that has caused those decisions to be made in the first place, and the attitude of the individual in ignoring or upholding them in the second place.

Conventions Express Life

Conventions do not create life or the conditions of life for their constituents in the true sense. More truly it is to be said that they are the expression of life that has already sprung into being, been found desirable, and is commended to be worthy of encouragement. It may be the inspiration of some one person or a small group of persons as was the program of the Forward Movement. Or it may be the gradually accumulating conviction of a great mass of people and parishes as is the movement to revise the prayer book or hymnal from time to time, or the urge to do something overt and specific toward bringing about unity among the churches. But in either case it is life or revelation that has already made itself felt and is transmitted through the voice of convention to the ears and hearts of all church people.

But even the chosen voice of God may be only "the voice of one crying in the wilderness." And there is no more barren wilderness or more forbidding obstacle to progress than silent indifference and selfish concern for nothing outside of the individual affairs or the in-

dividual parish. It is that sort of wilderness which has destroyed infinitely more once noble and determined Christian spirits than ever were or will be claimed by open opposition or persecution. It has reduced to the tragedy of still-birth unknown multitudes of nobly conceived plans for making Christian worship and morals a more effective force in our civilization.

The person whose sole concern is the saving and cultivation of his own soul can never be made a real Christian. Even the grace of God is not strong enough to save one man or one parish alone. But at the same time, a mere crumb of His grace is enough to save a nation or a race of men concerned with each other and their mutual doing of His will. The isolation of self-concern, even though it be self-concern with salvation, can yield nothing but death. The lone coal on the hearth quickly dies out; in company and combined effort with others of its kind it is a glowing fire of warmth and light to all in the house.

Role of "Small People"

The greatest of all questions before the Church today, therefore, is how far will the individual and the individual parish reach out beyond its own selfish concerns to share in the responsibility and often the thankless effort of making the life of the Church known and effective. No convention or official pronouncement can decide this question. It lies in the hearts and hands of the "small people" who are the real body of the Church. If they are small of mind and mean of spirit, the effect of the Church on the world will be small and insignificant. If they are great of mind and heart the voice of God will no longer be as that of one "crying in the wilderness."

Specifically what does all this add up to? The individual who has no interest beyond his own liking or disliking of the sermon, the rector, or the music of a particular parish prevents the greater life of the Church from taking effect. He is as a paralyzed arm or leg to one who would be a great athlete. The person who cares nothing for what goes on outside his own parish in the diocese or national church can never be anything but a broken reed in the hands of God no matter how time-consuming his efforts at home. The parish that takes no active part or interest in the work of

the Church in the diocese or the world, which resents any time or effort spent by its rector outside the parish limits, which feels no obligation to concern itself with the greater problems and opportunities beyond the local scene is a backwash along the stream of the Church's life. Only stagnation and a false idea of Christianity can be the fruit of such attitudes.

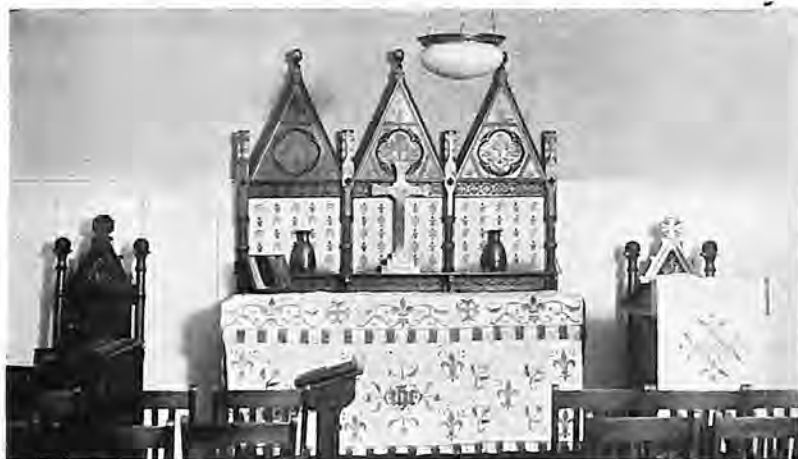
All those who participated in any of the services or activities of General Convention certainly must have thrilled to the grandeur and majesty of it all. But there is always room for the feeling in the heart of the "little man" or the "little parish": "What does my effort or opinion count for in all this?" It is that which brings us back to the point from which we started: the Church in its great convention, or the nation in the great decisions of its Congress is only the magnified life that has already sprung up in the "little men" and the other little units that go to make up the whole. One man who is alive to the needs and opportunities and dangers of the Church can convert his parish or even his rector; one parish or mission can be the means of awakening a diocese and God's work can go forward. In all probability there will be nothing sudden or dramatic: life is often painfully slow. But consider the might from minuteness displayed in a growing forest.

Convention has set up the road-signs to fuller and richer life for our Church. What now "little man"? Will you walk in the way pointed out, or will you and millions like you sit in the shade by the side of the road and wonder why there is so little traffic on the road of the Episcopal Church?

ORDINATIONS

On Wednesday, June 12, Bishop Hart ordained three candidates to the Diconate at the Church of the Epiphany, Sherwood. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Chauncey E. Snowden. Mr. John Marshall Frye, Jr., presented by the Rev. Chauncey E. Snowden, to be in charge of St. John's Church, Concord. Mr. Frederick R. Isacksen, presented by the Rev. William N. Parker, to be assistant at the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany. Mr. Paul Washington, presented by the Rev. Matthew W. Davis, to be assistant at the Church of the Crucifixion.

Burd School Has Served 90 Years



CENTER OF SPIRITUAL LIFE

"Health, wealth, and happiness," position, travel, and the respect and admiration of their community, seemed to belong to Edward Shippen Burd and his wife around 1810. But below these surface appearances sounded the ever-present note of recurring anguish. Eight children born, eight children dead in infancy!

In 1848 came a final blow to a courageous mother when she buried her husband. Thence, till her own death on Good Friday, 1860, Mrs. Burd devoted her life to two self-sacrificing interests—St. Stephen's Church (of which her husband had been a founder-communicant), and the creation of a home for girls—girls who had lost a father or both parents. In 1856, at a house she purchased at Ninth and George (now Sansom) Streets, Mrs. Burd commenced the work that has continued uninterruptedly to this day—The Burd School for Girls.

That Mrs. Burd's grief should find an outlet in such a home is natural and understandable. That she based her qualifications for admission and her operating methods very largely on a similar institution then developing in Philadelphia, and unique in the United States, cannot be proved but is more than probable. A parallel of the basic provisions for Girard College, found in the will of Stephen Girard and the basic provisions of Mrs. Burd's will, show a striking similarity. Even the definition of the word "orphan"—to include fatherless girls with mothers living—follows the decision handed down when that question arose before the courts in connection with Girard's bequest.

One basic provision, however, traverses a cardinal feature of Girard's stipulations. At Burd all girls must "be faithfully instructed, as part of their education, in the principles of the precious Gospel of my God and Saviour Jesus Christ as they are held and taught by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and . . . no other system of religion shall be taught there." Mrs. Burd further directed "there shall be an apartment prepared and set apart as a Chapel, to be kept sacred for the worship of Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost in conformity with the rites and ceremonies of the Protestant Episcopal Church." In addition, certain preferences of admission are given to daughters of deceased Episcopal clergymen and to girls baptized in the Episcopal communion. These requirements are diametrically opposed to those set forth in Girard's will, as he (for reasons too long to recite here) provided for instruction in the Bible, but forever forbade any priest or clergyman of any denomination to enter the college gates.

Today, then, at 43rd Street and Baltimore Avenue, in the City of Philadelphia, stands the monument to Mrs. Burd's sympathy, generosity and vision—and it is, in fact, a living, breathing, pulsing monument to the memory of her dead little ones.

Following her death, "The Rector, Churchwardens and Vestrymen of St. Stephen's Church in the city of Philadelphia" (then, as now, her trustees) in accordance with her instructions built a new home for their charges at 63rd and Market

Streets, where the work was carried on from 1863 until changing conditions and modern methods of operation dictated a move in 1920 to the present location. Here, in an atmosphere that approximates as far as possible that of the family, thirty girls (who must enter only between the ages of four and eight years) are reared, educated and in every way materially and spiritually provided for—all at no expense to the mother or relatives. Not only does the education include the basic material furnished by the grade and secondary schools, but in addition Burd independently requires instruction in sewing and housekeeping under Burd guidance and makes available instruction in music, dancing and art for those with the aptitude and capability. Social activities are provided and encouraged—with the understanding that deportment be correct, natural and gracious.

Burd is proud of its girls—both in the school and in after-life. The great percentage marry—eternally the woman's fullest career. Many, however, have chosen lines of independence and are today in the front ranks of teaching, nursing, technical work, library work, curatorships and business. For exceptional girls, Burd is prepared to provide a college education.

Policy is directed by the Rector of St. Stephen's and four members of the Vestry (together known as "The Managers"), and recommended and executed by the Executive Director. Burd history falls naturally into three periods; that of the location at 63rd and Market Streets; that from the move to the current location through 1943; and that of the short period since the latter year.

In the first period the foundations were laid, the first building built and the remarkable work of Dr. Ducachet performed. In the second period the move to 43rd and Baltimore was made and the operations completely regeared under the remarkable and progressive leadership of Miss Margaret P. Tappen, who retired in 1943. The third period has just commenced. Miss Tappen's successor, Miss Florence L. Davies, has come to the school with a wealth of background and experience. She is making, with the aid of The Managers, a survey to determine what progress in social thinking, modern conditions and the recent war should dictate in the way of reorientation. Many possibilities

and alternatives are being explored—as was once well said, “No organization can maintain a status quo; it must go forward or it will go backward; there is no middle ground.” Burd *will* go forward—and still give its girls a home in the real sense of the word.

BEQUESTS

Miss Margaret Sproul, who died in May, left \$300 to the Episcopal Hospital and \$3,000 to St. Luke's Church, Kensington, of which she was an active and beloved member. The residue of her estate is to be divided between St. Luke's Church and the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

Mr. James A. Brown left bequests of \$5,000 to the Episcopal Hospital, Episcopal City Mission, \$2,000; St. Michael and All Angels Home for Crippled Colored Children, \$2,000. The residue is to be divided among these three Church institutions.

Mrs. Sally Roberts Smith, who died in 1915, bequeathed \$10,000 to Christ Church Hospital, \$10,000 to the Church of the Holy Trinity, \$10,000 to the Episcopal Hospital, \$10,000 to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, \$5,000 to Home for Consumptives (now known as All Saints' Hospital for the Treatment of Tuberculosis), \$5,000 to the Church Training and Deaconess House.

Miss May Atherton Leach, who died October 6, left bequests of \$1,000 each to the Church Seamen's Institute and the Girls' Friendly Society of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

Miss Elizabeth J. Greir, who died in 1907, bequeathed \$4,000 to the Home of the Merciful Saviour for Crippled Children.

The Home of the Merciful Saviour and the Seamen's Church Institute were named as beneficiaries in the will of Mrs. Katherine L. Jones, who died in March, 1945.

Miss Annie Whitaker, who died June 16,

named St. Nathaniel's Church, E Street and Allegheny Avenue, and the Episcopal Hospital as beneficiaries under the terms of her will.

All Souls Church for the deaf was left a bequest of \$1,000 by Mrs. Theresa S. Smielau, who died in March. She was the widow of the Rev. Franklin C. Smielau, for many years a missionary to the deaf.

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A Day of Prayer

During the war many of our Churches were kept open every day for private prayer and meditation. Several years ago November 11 (Armistice Day) was set aside as a special Church-wide Day of Prayer, with someone in the Church continuously at prayer throughout the day. Again in 1946 the Church is called to observe this day as one set apart to speak to God and hear Him speak to us concerning the seriousness of the times in which we live. A special folder for use on this day is now available, and may be ordered on the form provided in the back of "Parish Helps."

Fall Retreat Woman's Auxiliary

Monday, October 28, 5:30 P. M., St. Margaret's House, 5419 Germantown Ave. Conductor, Rev. William I. Edwards. Retreat ends 10:00 A. M., October 30. Please make reservations with Mrs. Frank V. Burton, 2316 DeLancey St., before Monday, October 21.

St. Thomas Church, Whitmarsh, gave \$500 from the parish Easter offering to Bishop Harris, of Liberia.

Card tables with the legs cut short are used as part of the equipment of the Kindergarten department of St. Simeon's Sunday School.

IN THE DIOCESE

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The Rector and choir of Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown, were heard in a radio broadcast on Sunday morning, June 16, in a series known as the Columbia Church of the Air, carried over ninety stations.

The Rev. Herbert B. Satcher has a collection of rare and unusual books, music, and autographed letters, recently exhibited to the people of St. Aidan's Chapel, Cheltenham, of which he is Vicar.

Mr. Will J. Davis recently completed forty-eight years of service as Secretary of the Vestry of Calvary Church, Conshohocken. He was for many years director of the parish Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. He was presented with a wrist watch as a small token of appreciation and affection from his friends in the parish.

On Tuesday in Whitsun Week the Rev. S. Atmore Caine, Vicar of St. Augustine's Chapel, Norristown, celebrated the 35th anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood.

St. Martin's Church, Marcus Hook, has liquidated its indebtedness under the leadership of the Rev. Melvin M. Heckler. The Church is 244 years old.

Twenty-five years ago there were mortgages on mission properties in the Convocation of Chester amounting to \$150,000. In May of this year the last of these mortgages was paid.

The Rev. John Alleyn Howell, a retired Priest of this Diocese, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination in June. He was ordained at St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati, by Bishop Vincent.

Christ Church and St. Michael's issued an unusually interesting annual report of thirty large pages with illustrations, reports of organizations and activities, and a detailed financial statement, which shows the Parish in excellent condition.

On June 4 the mortgage on St. Giles Church, Stonehurst, was burned, the Church was consecrated, and the Rev. Robert P. Frazier was instituted as Rector.

"The Churching of the Colors" will be held at St. Mark's Church, Frankford, November 10, at 4 P. M., under the auspices of Frankford Post No. 211, American Legion.

St. Titus Church, Elmwood, joined with the neighboring Methodist Church in conducting a community Vacation Bible School.

New Facilities and Program Acquired By All Saints' School

Most people will agree that the best way to unravel a complicated world is through the constant expansion and improvement of our school facilities. That is why we take particular note and extend our warmest congratulations to All Saints' Episcopal School of Torresdale on their recently launched expansion program.

Through unusual good fortune, All Saints' School has acquired the historically famous Pen Ryn Estate on the Delaware, situated just one mile above the city line at Andalusia, Bucks County, Pa. Here, cloistered by nature in the quiet dignity of rural splendors, the old school has been rejuvenated with the latest improvements in educational and athletic facilities.

This should be resounding news to the residents of the northeast who, for years, have been confronted with manifold transportation problems in sending their children to private schools, inaccessibly located. At the new Pen Ryn All Saints' School, door-to-door transportation has been provided as well as hot lunches which will be served daily.

The artfully planned alterations have been effected at considerable expense and, when completed, will qualify All Saints' Pen Ryn Episcopal School as one of the leading educational institutions in the Philadelphia vicinity. It is a member of the Secondary Education Board and offers co-educational training to

pupils from kindergarten through ninth grade. As before, emphasis will be placed on personalized attention and classes will be kept small and wieldy.

The new school building offers ample room for expanding the arts, nature study and music courses. A competent choir director teaches voice control and sight reading to those who show aptitude for musical training.

The immediate school grounds encompass approximately ten acres which afford room for hockey, baseball, and football fields. A daily sports program is conducted here by a trained athletic instructor.

The swimming pool, which is reached by means of a brick walk leading through a walled garden from the main house, will be the site of much activity during the spring and early fall. Next to this are tennis courts which will provide recreation to small groups of students when the supervised athletic program is not in progress.

In spite of a highly diversified curriculum within the limits of the school grounds All Saints' Episcopal School will continue to capture the child's interest by weaving outside activities into the regular school routine. The customary trips to children's concerts and plays, to a newspaper office, or to the zoo will continue as in the past.

All Saints' Pen Ryn Episcopal School opened September 30, 1946, in its new location at Andalusia.

Classes met in the Methodist building, worship was conducted in St. Titus Church.

A Red Cross class in home nursing is being held at St. Cyprian's Church. Deaconess Garrett, of the Methodist Church, is conducting a class at St. Cyprian's for the children of the community.

On September 11, an American flag and a Church flag were dedicated at Trinity Chapel, Solebury. They were given by Capt. and Mrs. H. K. Hughes, in loving memory of their son, missing at sea, December, 1941.

Instead of sending flowers to Mrs. Charles H. Long, while a patient in the Episcopal Hospital, Grace Church, Mt. Airy, sent her a book of 30 food certificates for the Emergency Food Collection.

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CHESTER OBEDIENCE FUND

The presentation service of the "Obedience Fund" for the Convocation of Chester was held at St. Mary's Church, Ardmore, Sunday, June 16. The money received for use in the construction of St. Peter's Church, Broomall, was as follows:

Advent, Kennett Square	\$ 30.00
All Saints, Darby	40.00
All Saints, Wynnewood	300.00
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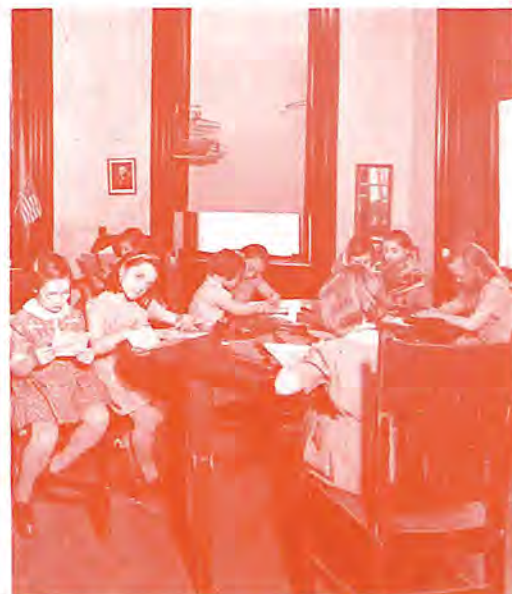
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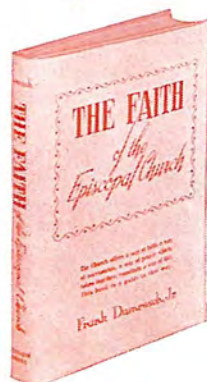
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